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SUBJECT: UNFICYP

1. LOCAL MEDIA REPORT SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDED TERMINATION OF U. S. CONTRIBUTION TO UNFICYP
AS PART OF MAY 22 MILITARY ASSISTANCE CUTS.

2. IF DEPT BELIEVES THERE IS CHANCE FULL SENATE MIGHT
SUSTAIN COMMITTEE'S PROPOSAL, WE HOPE INTERESTED SENATORS
MAY BE BRIEFED ON IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING \$4.2 MILLION U. S.
CONTRIBUTION. MAIN LINE OF ARGUMENT WOULD BE THAT USG
IS SPEARHEADING EFFORTS A) TO REDUCE SIZE AND COST OF
UNFICYP AND B) TO OBTAIN INCREASED CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER
COUNTRIES IN ORDER PUT FORCE ON FULLY SELF- SUSTAINING
FINANCIAL BASIS. TO TERMINATE U. S. CONTRIBUTION ABRUPTLY COULD
WELL BRING UNFICYP TO AN END, OR AT MINIMUM SERIOUSLY DIS-
RUPT IT. INTERCOMMUNAL RELATIONS GENERALLY, AND TLKS JUST
SHOWING SOME PROSPECT OF SUCCESS, WOULD BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED.
RESULT WOULD BE DAMAGE TO LONGSTANDING U. S. INTEREST IN PEACE-
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